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Subject: RE: "community involvement ultimately remains the responsibility of the EPA" EPA has provide NO Final Citizen Involvement Plan since OU1 was a formal Superfund site

Regional Administrator, currently Doug Benevento.

From: Bridget Walsh <denverbridget@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, December 14, 2018 11:43 AM
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who is RA?

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On Dec 14, 2018, at 11:17 AM, Chergo, Jennifer <Chergo.Jennifer@epa.gov> wrote:

No, that's not what I said. I said that HQ review and state concurrence on the NOID have occurred. I did not say that the RA has signed it yet.

From: Joan Seeman **Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)**
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Jennifer,
Please provide the FINAL sign-off by EPA Doug Benevento regarding the Vasquez Blvd Superfund site that you confirm below has already occurred.

Also, I requested a response from you regarding the following:

1. Why has no Citizen Involvement Plan been produced since 2000? It was a "draft" and written in 2000 and never finalized?

<https://semspub.epa.gov/work/08/2006998.pdf>

"If interest warrants, EPA will hold one or more public meetings during each comment period to provide information and receive public comments."

"EPA will prepare fact sheets and activity updates describing activities and other relevant information about the VB/I-70 Site as necessary. Fact sheets will be written in English and Spanish. These materials will be distributed to those on the mailing list and will also be available to the general public through the Information Repositories."

"EPA will inform local officials of key events and activities. Formal notification of key events and activities and advance information on decisions and events are important to local officials."

2. Why has there been no EPA written response regarding the Chuck Norris presentation at the October CAG meeting re OU1?

3. Why has there been no response re the CAG Administrators emailed CAG November Resolution recently submitted to EPA?

4. Why has no current info re OU1 been posted to the EPA website re the OU1 delist?

<https://cumulis.epa.gov/supercpad/SiteProfiles/index.cfm?fuseaction=second.scs&id=0801646&doc=Y&colid=35163®ion=08&type=SC>

5. Why was there no informational hearing to the CAG and public regarding OU1 and the pending delist by EPA? I reviewed minutes of the CAG meetings since they formed and saw no discussion specific to the OU1 site? Please provide any information, fact sheets, or correspondence that was provided to the CAG, politicians, Community regarding the delist.

CERCLA requires the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), sites, to develop and manage community involvement programs at both fund-lead and enforcement-lead sites. At fund-lead sites, cleanup is paid for with Superfund money; at enforcement-lead sites, potentially responsible parties (PRPs) pay for

cleanup. At either type of site, community involvement ultimately remains the responsibility of the EPA.

The CERCLA community involvement effort promotes two-way communication between members of the public and the lead government agency responsible for remedial actions. The overall objectives of CERCLA community involvement are as follows:

- Provide the public the opportunity to express comments on and provide input to technical decisions;
- Inform the public of planned and ongoing actions; and
- Identify and resolve conflicts.

EPA's community involvement activities will also address environmental justice issues. Specific environmental justice goals are:

- Raising awareness of equity issues to the remediation team;

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Reviewing past site procedures to determine whether changes need to be made in areas which would impact communities of color; and

- Tailoring communications which are sensitive to the language and cultural differences of the community to assure that all interested parties have equal opportunity to become involved in EPA's decision making process.

6. I requested information re the TAG grants (Two) approved by EPA. You and Jesse said you were unable to provide the Engineering Reports for these grants: The CEASE coalition received these funds. The community organizations in 2000 include:

- United Swansea/Elyria Neighborhood Association;
- Cross Community Coalition Family Resource Center (C); and
- Elyria/Swansea Community Economic Development Corporation •

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The Clayton, Cole, Elyria and Swansea Neighborhood Coalition (CEASE) was formed to join the four neighborhoods together around the common purpose of soil contamination. **CEASE connects directly with neighborhood organizations and groups to support their efforts in addressing contamination** in the impacted neighborhoods.

CEASE members have been actively involved in the VB/I-70 Working Group since its

Inception and received a Technical • Assistance Grant from the EPA in April 2000.

Finally, Denver has confirmed a location for the Swansea Smelter and requested that Habitat for Humanity test before construction. EPA Steve Wharton is said ti have informed officials at EPA that the discovery of the Swansea Smelter in Denver is a non issue?

I look forward to your responses.

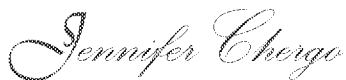
Thank you,
Joan Seeman

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Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 14, 2018, at 10:18 AM, Chergo, Jennifer <Chergo.Jennifer@epa.gov> wrote:

You have both asked who signs the NOID. The answer is the Regional Administrator, Doug Benevento, after EPA headquarters review and approval and state concurrence, both of which have occurred for this partial deletion.



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